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1. U.S. Patent Application 2003/0143610 (Haiyan Xu) published July 31, 2003 (**Exhibit 1**);
2. PCT International Application Publication No. WO 00/61631 (Veale et al.) published October 19, 2000 (**Exhibit 2**);
3. Jaubert et al. Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA 96:10278-10283 (1999) (**Exhibit 3**); and
4. Matsukawa, et al., Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA 96:7403-7408 (1999) (**Exhibit 4**).

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